



Price 3d.] EDINBURGH,

SATURDAY, MAY 27. 1786.

A CARD.

MRS FERDINAND, intending to establish herself in this City, as a Tutor to those Young Ladies that may wish to be instructed in reading the Authors, with that elegance seldom to be acquired at boarding Schools, and so necessary to distinguish them among the polite circle, thinks it requisite to give the Public an opportunity of judging of her abilities; for which purpose, she will, on Tuesday the 30th May, at seven o'clock in the evening, deliver, at Mary's Chapel, Niddry's Wynd, **ORATORICAL LECTURES & ENGLISH RECITALS**, with an occasional Prologue, containing the beauties of the Authors:—Particularly, **THE PASSIONS**, by COLLINS.
THE BIRTH OF OUR SAVIOUR, by POPE.
SATAN'S ADDRESS TO THE SUN, by MILTON.
HOMER'S ILIAD. Admittance Two Shillings.

Edinburgh, May 26. 1786.

LIEUT. GENERAL MACKAY, Commander of his Majesty's forces, &c. in North Britain, hereby gives notice, That he is ready to receive proposals from any person or persons, willing to supply by Contract **BREAD** for his Majesty's 58th regiment of foot quartered in Edinburgh Castle.

The Bread to be made of flour of good marketable wheat, out of which the first bran has been taken by means of an Eight Shilling Cloth. Each soldier's allowance of this bread for four days, is a well baked loaf, weighing six pounds.

Proposals to be sealed up, and addressed to Major John Melville, Secretary to Lieut. General Mackay, on or before Wednesday next the 31st instant.

Haberdashery, Hosiery Goods, &c.

MOVED to the shop lately possessed by Mr Sommerel, opposite General Post Office, Bridge Street, for the convenience of room.

TO BE SOLD BY AUCTION.

On Tuesday first the 29th current, and the following days of next week, **THE WHOLE STOCK** in trade of William Cowan, Bridge Street.

N. B. The Good to be put up at the pleasure of the company.

STOCKINGS.

JAMES CHARLES HOSIER, next door to the Post-Office, Bridge-street, has just received a fresh and general assortment of **SILK, THREAD, and COTTON HOSE** for the summer wear, the quality of which he can answer for, and will be sold upon the most moderate terms.

Very good Ladies Silk Stockings, at 7s. 6d.; and every other article in the Hosiery branch proportionably cheap.

Silk Handkerchiefs.
Linen and Cotton pocket ditto.
Gentlemen's Gloves and Ladies Habit ditto.

ALEXANDER LIVINGSTON,

Opposite the Chapel of Ease, Croftcaufway, Edinburgh, BEGS leave to acquaint the Ladies, and the Public in general, that he has newly got to hand a large assortment of Green, Soughong, Congo, and Bohea TEAS, purchased by a friend of his own at the India House, who, from his long experience, is a judge of the qualities; and, being on the spot, has it in his power to examine them. Whatever others may pretend, A. LIVINGSTON can assure his friends, that none can serve on better, and very few on equal terms.

The present selling prices are as under, viz.

Bohea, - - -	1 10	Soughong, - - -	3 0
Fine ditto, - -	2 0	Ditto, - - -	3 6
Congo, - - -	3 6	Superfine, - -	6 0
Good ditto, - -	4 0	Hyson Green, -	7 0
Fine ditto, - -	4 6	Superfine ditto, -	8 0

N. B. Commissions from town or country will be carefully attended to.

WINE and SPIRITS of all kinds.

GOAT WHEY at Moffat will be had

in plenty by the end of the present month of May.

The excellency of accommodation at Moffat, with many other advantages, scarcely to be met with at any other Goat Whey Quarters, are already sufficiently known to the Public.

PAPER-HANGINGS FOR ROOMS, &c. &c.

ROBERT MACMILLAN PAPER STAINER, Miln's Square, opposite the Tron Church, Edinburgh, returns his most grateful thanks to the public in general, and his friends in particular, for the honour of their distinguished and repeated favours; and begs leave to inform them, that he has a large assortment of Printed Papers of his own manufacture, in the greatest variety of patterns, many of them entirely new, and all finished in the very best manner, which he is selling wholesale and retail, at the lowest prices possible, with choice of elegant Feltton and other borders.

His remaining patterns of former seasons are selling off at reduced prices.

Considerable allowance will be made to Upholsterers and other Dealers; and orders from the country for quantities of single pieces, carefully attended to; and proper persons for hanging the papers, sent to any place in town or country, if required.

Paper Hangings for Rooms, &c.

CHARLES ESPLIN and COMPANY having a considerable quantity of old patterns of **PRINTED PAPER HANGINGS** for rooms, closets, passages, shops, &c. which they intend to dispose of on very low terms, some as cheap as 1d. per yard, or 1s. the piece; and in any quantity that may be wanted.

N. B. Those who are repairing houses, &c. will find it their interest to attend to the above, as the papers are all perfectly good and clean, though not in the present fashion. Proper experienced hands kept for hanging paper in town or country, on the lowest terms.

C. E. and Co. have also a very elegant assortment of the newest and most fashionable patterns, Glazed Varnish, Mock Flocks, Chinks, &c. with suitable bordering.

AT LONDON FOR LEITH—Direct,
(A fine New Smack, Whitby built)

The Betsey of Dunbar,

WILLIAM MILLER Master, Now at the birth at Miller's Wharf, opposite Burr-street, London, taking in Goods for Leith, Edinburgh, and all places adjacent, will sail the 5th June next.

The Betsey is a fine new vessel, well mann'd, sails remarkably fast; has good bedding, and two large Cabins elegantly fitted up for passengers, who may depend on the best usage, and every care and attention being paid to them.

Pardon, and Reward offered.

Whitehall, May 18. 1786.

WHEREAS, it has been humbly represented to the King, That, in the evening of Monday the 24th day of April last past, between eight and nine o'clock, as James Hoffack the elder, James Hoffack the younger, James Lindfay, and James M'William, all officers of his Majesty's revenue of Excise, were returning home, after having that day, in the course of their duty, and in company with the officiating supervisor and two other officers of Excise, seized seven private and unlicensed stills, with a parcel of aquavivæ, and discovered upwards of eighty bushels of malt privately making and concealed, they the said Hoffacks, Lindfay, and M'William, were fired upon from a wood on the side of the road betwixt Chappletown of Killychaffy and Pitcattle, in the parish of Logierait and county of Perth, in Scotland, by some person or persons unknown; and the said Lindfay, Hoffack the younger, and M'William, officers, were all, at the same instant, wounded, and fell, the said James Hoffack the younger, having upwards of 40 small shot lodged in his head and body, one of which went through his cheek, and tore out one of his teeth; the said James Lindfay being much wounded in the shoulder, and having had a shot quite through his nose; and the said James M'William having a number of shot lodged in his thigh and body, one of them very dangerous, being a little above the groin: His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to justice the person or persons concerned in this daring attempt and outrage, is hereby pleased to promise his most gracious pardon to any one of the said offenders (except the person who actually fired upon the officers) who shall discover his or her accomplice or accomplices, so that one or more of them may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

SYDNEY.

And, as a further encouragement, the Commissioners of Excise in Scotland do hereby offer a reward of **ONE HUNDRED POUNDS** to any person who shall discover and apprehend any one or more of the said offenders (except as before excepted), to be paid by their cashier upon conviction.

By order of the Commissioners,

JOHN THOMSON, } Joint Secretaries.
ADAM PEARSON, }

WHEREAS, in the month of February last, Fire was found in a barn at Pittendrich, belonging to Charles Mercer, Esq; of Lethendy; and, upon the night of the 15th day of April, fire was actually set to the house of Peter Stewart, Mr Mercer's gardener, at Pittendrich, and part of the roof consumed; and a third attempt made to set fire to the Mansion-house of Pittendrich, upon the 16th May current; all, as is supposed, by **MAY CRAIGIE**, daughter of John Craigie in Kirkhill of Caputh, who has since absconded from her father's house, where she usually resided.—This is therefore offering a Reward of **TEN POUNDS** Sterling, to any person or persons who will discover where the said May Craigie lurks, so as she may be apprehended and lodged in any of his Majesty's jails, until liberated in due course of law.

The money, upon proper information being given, will be paid by James Spence, or Oswald Fotheringham, writers, Edinburgh; or Thomas Mitchell, writer in Perth.

May Craigie is aged 28 years; about five feet six inches high; dark-brown hair; large black eyes, and strong eyelashes; swarthy complexion; strong masculine make of body, tending to a lout in the shoulders.

In the Press, and speedily will be Published, A COLLECTION OF STYLES.

THE JURIDICAL SOCIETY have compiled a complete Collection of **STYLES**, which they intend to publish in three vols. quarto, containing of Heritable Rights, Personal and Moveable Rights and Signet Letters.

It is proposed at present to publish only the first volume, which comprehends the Heritable Styles, and contains the following titles.

1. Family settlements.
2. Services.
3. Alienations to singular successors.
4. Redeemable rights.
5. Conveyances of redeemable rights.
6. Signatures and other grants.
7. Grants by progress from a subject superior.
8. Completion of real rights by infestment.
9. Extinction of real redeemable rights.
10. Leases, with conveyances and extinctions of ditto.

This volume will be published in the course of the next summer Session.

WOOLLEN MANUFACTURE.

THE Copartnership of **GRANT, MACOMBE, and CO.** having been dissolved, by mutual consent, on the 15th current, Mr GRANT has now connected himself with other partners, who carry on the Manufacture of Carpets, Blankets, Narrow Cloths, Plains, and other Woollen Goods, at their **FACTORY**, foot of Havannah street, under the firm of **GRANT, PELLANCE, and CO.**

They also carry on the **DYING BUSINESS**, in its different branches; and, as Mr Grant has long experience in that line, both here and in England, they make no doubt of giving the utmost satisfaction to those who employ them.

GLASGOW, May 25. 1786.

A HOUSE TO SELL.

TO be sold by public roup, in the Old Exchange Coffee-house, on Thursday, June 22, between the hours of six and seven afternoon, a House, lately possessed by Mrs Hunter, spouse to Mr Andrew Hunter, writer in Edinburgh, being the second story of Paterfon's Back Court, Lawnmarket, consisting of six rooms and a kitchen, with several closets, and a cellar. The house is insured in the Edinburgh Friendly Insurance Office, and the premium paid up. The house may be seen every lawful day between the hours of twelve and two.

The articles of roup and progress of wits to be seen in the hands of John Hunter, writer to the signet, with whom persons desirous to purchase by private bargain may commune.

NOTICE

To the **CREDITORS** of **JOHN FRASER**, Flaxdrefler in Perth.

THE Trustees appointed by the said John Fraser hereby give notice to all his creditors, to meet in the house of Charles Robertson, innkeeper in the Skinnergate of Perth, on the first day of June next, at six o'clock in the evening, by themselves, or their doers properly authorized by them, when the trustees intend making a dividend of the funds in their hands, in payment *pro tanto* to them of their several debts; and, for that purpose it is desired, that such of the creditors who have not as yet lodged their claims or made oath to their debts, will do so forthwith, and lodge them in the hands of Patrick Miller junior, writer in Perth; certifying such as neglect this intimation, that they will be excluded from any share in the said dividend.

LOTTERY.

Edinburgh, April 1. 1786.

THOMAS LAING, on the Bridge, next door to the Post Office, Edinburgh, respectfully informs his Friends and the Public, That, being to give up the Jewellery Business, he has resolved to dispose of his Whole Stock of Silver Plate, Jewellery, Plated Goods, and Toys, by way of **LOTTERY**, on the following terms.

S C H E M E.			
No. of prizes.	Value of each.	Total.	
1 Prize of	L. 20 0 0	L. 20 0 0	0
2	10 0 0	10 0 0	0
3	6 6 0	6 6 0	0
4	4 4 0	8 8 0	0
5	3 3 0	12 12 0	0
6	2 12 6	15 15 0	0
18	2 2 0	37 16 0	0
24	1 11 6	37 16 0	0
30	1 5 0	37 10 0	0
44	1 1 0	46 4 0	0
48	0 15 0	36 0 0	0
74	0 10 6	38 17 0	0
82	0 7 6	30 15 0	0
230	0 6 0	60 0 0	0
335 prizes		First drawn Ticket	1 0 0
1065 blanks		Last drawn Ticket	1 0 0
		L. 400 0 0	

—Tickets at five shillings each.

Not two Blanks to a Prize.

I. The capital prize is an elegant Tea Service, consisting of a Plated Tea and Coffee Urn, Tea Pot and Caddie, Toast Rack, Sugar Bowl, Cream Pail, and Ladle.

II. A Brown Tea Urn Plated mounting, Plated Tea Pot, Cream Pot, Candlesticks and Snuffers, a Jappanned Tea Caddie, and Toast Rack.

III. A Pair fine Pistols, Silver mounted.

All which may be seen at his shop by such as incline to adventure.

The other Goods consist of Gold Rings, Seals, Lockets, and Breast Pins, fine Set Neck and Stock Buckles, Gilt and Silver Childrens Corals, Silver Shoe, Knee and Stock Buckles, Plated Candlesticks, Caddies, and Soy Frames, Plated Bread Baskets, Snuffers and Stands, Fish Knives and Salad Forks, Bottle Sliders, Sauce Boats, Cream-spoons, Shoe-buckles, Ladies and Gentlemen's Watch-chains and Strings, small Tortoise-shell Snuff-boxes, Scent-bottle and Pick-tooth Cases, Enamelled ditto, Guns and Pistols, Razors, Pen-knives and Scissors, Plated and Steel Spurs: with many other articles too tedious to insert.

The Public may depend on the above Goods being quite fashionable and good, all having been bought within the last twenty months; and will be rated at the usual shop-prices.

The day and place of Drawing will be intimated in the news-papers, so soon as the Tickets are nearly disposed of. And as a great number of them is already sold, it is requested of those who intend to adventure to apply soon, which will bring on the drawing the sooner.

TICKETS FIVE SHILLINGS each, to be had at **THOMAS LAING'S** Shop, next door to the Post Office.—Schemes gratis.

N. B. Cabinet-makers Tools, Hard Ware, and Gentlemen's Tool-Chests to be had as usual.

Notice to Creditors.

THE Creditors of **ARMOUR and HAMILTON**, merchants in Edinburgh, both as a Company and Individuals, are requested to meet by themselves or their doers, in the Old Exchange Coffeehouse in Edinburgh, upon Tuesday next the 30th day of May instant, at twelve o'clock noon, when matters of importance to the Creditors is to be laid before them.

NOTICE

To the **CREDITORS** of **JOHN CROMBIE**, and of the deceased **JAMES DONALDSON** Masons, at Hunter's Park.

THESE Creditors will please meet in John's Coffeehouse, on Wednesday first the 31st May, at one o'clock afternoon, when a state of the funds belonging to Donaldson and Crombie will be laid before them; and as part of them will soon be made actual, and applied towards their payment, it is requested they will bring with them their accounts or notes of their debts.

NOTICE

To the **CREDITORS** of **JAMES LOW**, late Tenant in Quilcoe.

THE Creditors of the said James Low are hereby required to meet in the house of Billie William Gray in Forfar, upon Saturday the first day of July next, at eleven o'clock forenoon, to receive their dividends of the said James Low's subjects.

The creditors will bring with them the vouchers of their debts, with oaths on the verity thereof.

NOTICE

To the **CREDITORS** of **WILLIAM TAYLOR**, Horic Dealer in Bathgate.

SUCH of these Creditors as have not already lodged notes and vouchers of their debts, with oaths of verity thereon, are required to do so with John Johnston, or David Corbett, writers in Bathgate, betwixt and the 10th of June next, when a division of the funds will take place: certifying those who fail to do so, that they shall not be entitled to any share in the division.

NOTICE

To the **CREDITORS** of **ROBERT MILLER**, Merchant in Glasgow.

THAT, upon the application of the said Robert Miller, and of Messrs Robinson and Walmely, merchants in Manchester, creditors of his to the extent required by law, the Lord Ellick, Ordinary, officiating on the bills, by interlocutor dated the 15th May current, sequestrated the whole real and personal estate of the said Robert Miller, and appointed his creditors to meet within the Tontine Coffeehouse, Glasgow, on Tuesday the 23d current, at 12 o'clock mid-day, in order to chuse an interim factor.

That, a meeting having been accordingly held, David Black, merchant in Glasgow, was made choice of, to be interim factor on the said sequestrated estate; and a general meeting of the creditors, for the purpose of chusing a trustee, was appointed to be held within the Tontine Coffeehouse, Glasgow, upon Friday the 14th July next, at 12 o'clock mid-day.

And, upon the application of the said factor, the Sheriff Substitue of Lanarkshire, has appointed Monday the 29th May current, and Monday in each of the three succeeding weeks, within the Sheriff Court-house of Glasgow, at one o'clock afternoon, for the public examination of the bankrupt and his family and servants, and others acquainted with his business.

Of all which this notice is given, that the creditors may attend the said meeting and diets of examination, in terms of the Statute.

Goods calculate for the Summer Season.

WILLIAM ALLAN,

Haberdasher and Linen-Draper, Parliament Square, Edinburgh.

RESPECTFULLY informs the Ladies, That a beautiful variety of his Fashionable Goods for the season are just arrived, a few of which are the following:

Elegant 4-4ths Printed Calicoes.	Bombastens, and Norwich Crapes.
Stripped and Checked Printed Mullins.	Black Laces & Blond Edgings.
Corded Dimities and Mullins, great bargains.	Black, Chip, and Straw Laces.
Great choice of Mullins, all breadths and qualities.	Thread Laces and Edgings.
Decca and Jaconet Mullin Handkerchiefs.	Linen and Cambricks.
Tamoured Mullin Aprons and Handkerchiefs.	Black and Coloured Silk Handkerchiefs.
	Gloves and Ribbons, all kinds.

N. B. A regular supply of Printed Calicoes are received weekly. Last year's patterns of 5-4ths Printed Calicoes will be sold off very cheap.

A COW FOUND.

A SMALL HIGHLAND COW joined a drove coming from Gartmore towards Edinburgh. Whoever can prove the property by telling the marks, shall have her returned, by applying to James Mitchell at Newhall, near Haddington, and paying the expenses of keeping, driving, and advertising. Not to be repeated.

COLLIERS WANTED.

AT the Coal Works of Tranent, **EIGHT or TEN** sober **COLLIERS**, without Beavers, will meet with good encouragement and constant work, by applying to William Murray coal give.

Wanted to Borrow,

THREE HUNDRED POUNDS STERLING, upon undoubted personal security. Apply to James Spence writer, Warrapole's Court, or Oswald Fotheringham writer, Fisher's Close.

DALMOIR BLEACHFIELD.

SIX miles north from Glasgow. **EDWARD COLLINGS** lays down Cloth as soon as the weather permits.

The prices of bleaching are as follow, viz. All plain Linen, yard broad or under, wrought in any reed below 1000, at 2d. per yard;—10 and 100, 1 1/2 d.; 12 and 1300, 3d.;—14 and 1500, 3 1/2 d.;—all above 1500, 4d.—Tweelings, Diapers, Sattinets, (not exceeding yard broad) 3 1/2 d.;—Long Lawn and Cambric 3d.;—and all above yard-broad in proportion.

Cloth is taken in at Edinburgh, by

William Anderson, at his Carron Ware-house in the West Bow, being the shop formerly possessed by Balie James Grant; Falkirk, by Thomas Duncan, merchant; Bathgate, by James Weir, merchant; Stirling, by William Brown, merchant; Alloa, by Matthew Drydie, merchant; Paisley, by John Weir, bookseller; Crawford's Dyke, by Mrs Edmond, merchant; Port-Glasgow, by Benjamin Robertson, merchant; Lanark, by Mrs Young; Blantyre, by John Black, merchant; Ayr, by William Mitchell, merchant; Glasgow, by James Donaldson, senior; and at the Field, by Edward Collins paper-maker: at all which places receipts will be granted for the cloth. The receipt to be returned when the cloth is called for.

N. B. No cloth taken in for the above field, exceeding thirty yards in one piece. The cloth will be delivered at the aforesaid places, where it was received, all stamped and lapped. Two pence per piece charged for stamping and lapping.

Lands in the Shire of Forfar.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Tuesday the 8th day of August 1786, at six o'clock afternoon, **The Lands of MAINS, and EASTER KIRKTON** of Earl-Strathguthrie, lying betwixt the Mains and the rishdon of Forfar.

This estate is well situated, within less than a mile of the town of Dundee, and is let to substantial tenants. From the nature of the lands, no expenses whatever, during their currency, can be incurred by the proprietor. The tenants are obliged to observe a proper mode of culture, and a certain and very considerable rent will take place when the tacks expire.

The present nett rent of this estate, after deduction of public burdens, is 1101. Sterling. The property-lands extend to above 1020 Scots acres. There is plenty of free stone upon them. They abound in game; and a water, full of trout, runs through the middle of the estate; which, besides thriving hedge-rows around most of the inclosures, has old timber growing upon it to a considerable value.

David Cobb, tenant at New-Mains, will show the grounds; and the progress of writs and plan of the estate are lodged with Mr Erskine, clerk to the signet, to whom, or to Mr Farquharson accountant in Edinburgh, any person inclining to make a private bargain, may apply.

Lands in the Shires of Fife and Perth.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Tuesday the 1st day of August 1786, at six o'clock afternoon, in two Lots—

I. The Lands and Estate of **TEASSES and BANDIR-RAN**, with the tacks thereof, lying within the parish of Ceres, and Sheriffdom of Fife.

The nett land rent, exclusive of a lime-quarry, and after deducting public burdens, is about 474 l. Sterling yearly. The tacks expire at Martinmas 1789, one excepted, which expires in 1795. This estate consists of above 1100 Scots acres, and is capable of very great improvement, as it is not inclosed, abounds in lime, and is in the near neighbourhood of coal.

The lime, which is inexhaustible, is well known to be of the best quality, both as to strength and colour. For some years past it has been wrought by the proprietor, and has yielded about 70 l. Sterling annually of nett profit.

The lands hold of the Crown; and being valued in the cess-books at upwards of 880 l. Scots, afford two freehold qualifications.

II. The Lands and Estate of **FOSSAWAY**, lying within the parish of Fossaway and Sheriffdom of Perth. The nett rent, after deduction of public burdens, is about 186 l. Sterling. Three of the tacks expire at Martinmas 1791; the only other tack is current till Martinmas 1793. This estate consists of above 1470 Scots acres, partly arable, partly pasture. The pasture may be made equal, if not superior, to any sheep-walk in the Ochils. The rents are low, so that a considerable advance, on the expiry of the present leases, may be depended upon. The lands hold blench of a subject; and the tacks, to which the heritor has right, are valued and exhausted.

The progress of writs, rentals, and surveys of both estates may be seen in the hands of Mr Erskine, clerk to the signet, to whom application for a private bargain may be made.



I. LLOYD'S LIST, May 24.

THE goods by the Mortimore for Newfoundland, on shore at the life of Oleron, are all safely landed, and some hopes of saving the ship.

Elfinore, 9. The Fanny, Jordan, from Hull for Windaw, having struck on the Leifoe, makes a good deal of water, and will go to Copenhagen to repair.

Captain Sargeant, of the Cincinnati, arrived at Dover from Virginia, in lat. 39. long. 59. W. spoke the Four Friends, Barret, from Liverpool for New York, out 7 weeks, in lat. 30. long. 18. W. spoke the Adamant, Harris, from Cork, out 4 days.

Captain Watson, of the Orange Valley, arrived at Bristol from Jamaica, parted with the John, Graham, from Jamaica for Liverpool, the 18th ult. clear of the Gulf; and on the 20th, spoke the Bristol, Earl, from Virginia to Bordeaux, lat. 41. 30. long. 30. all well.

The Caroline, Grant, from St Marks and Charlestown to London, is totally lost in the Gulf of Florida.

The Neptune, Gee, from Liverpool, is on shore near Dantzick, and filled with water.

The Rebecca, Shephard, from Barcelona to Zant, is lost near the Llobregat.

HOUSE OF LORDS.

MONDAY, May 22.

THE Royal Assent was given by commission to twenty-six public and private bills; among which were the bill for appointing Commissioners to carry into execution the land-tax of 1786; the Scotch school bill, and the Newfoundland fishery bill.

Went through in Committee the Gibraltar head money bill, the Isle of Man bill, and the Blackfriars bridge bill.

Read a second time the bill for regulating manufell.

Reported the Westminster paving bill.

Passed the Claimants' bill, and the Court of Conscience bill.

The order of the day being read, for the second reading of the bill for appropriating one million annually for the extinction of the national debt.

Lord Loughborough hoped that the bill would be printed for the use of their Lordships. Being informed, however, by Lord Bathurst, that it was contrary to the custom of the House to print a bill of that nature; the question on the motion was put, and it was agreed that the bill should be committed on Thursday next.

Earl Stanhope in consequence of their Lordships' summons on the present business, though the future discussion of it was to be postponed to Thursday, could not help stating his objections to the plan. His sentiments on this subject were publicly known; and it was not necessary that he should minutely re-peat the point. Whilst he threw out these observations, however, he hoped he should not be misunderstood as attempting to oppose a scheme, with regard to which all parties were united as to its object. His main objection to the measure was, that no measure had been adopted, or was likely to be adopted, in order to secure its permanency, and consequently that effect which it was intended to produce. He reasoned with respect to the perfection of his own system in this point of view, and went into a general detail of it. He proved the good opinion entertained of it from the sentiments of some stock-broker, Dr Price, Fellow of the Royal Society, and one or two eminent merchants, whose letters he read on the subject. The plan he had laid down was exempt from those objections which naturally arose from the scheme in agitation, relative to the temptation that ambitious ministers would lie under, of availing themselves of a number of those reliefs, and of various pecuniary resources, which would naturally accrue in the course of a few years from its adoption. Every means ought, therefore, to be employed to prevent this evil, and to secure the permanency of that system which is most likely to obtain. For this purpose he saw only one mode of security, which was to connect the public creditor with the state, that a failure of compact, by an alteration of the fund on any emergency, should be considered as a declaration of bankruptcy. Having made a motion to this effect.

Lord Camelford resisted its being adopted in the present stage of the business, as a resolution of the House. He threw out a few remarks on the plan proposed by Earl Stanhope, and expressed his hope at the same time, that he would not persist in pressing a measure of this nature too warmly on their Lordships.

Earl Stanhope defended his scheme, and asserted that Lord Camelford had not understood it properly. Lord Camelford explained what he had said, and Earl Stanhope continued to support what he had thrown out in favour of his plan.

Lord Sydney expressed many obligations to the noble Earl (Stanhope) but was for moving the previous question on the motion.

Lord Loughborough had not made up his mind sufficiently to the present motion, and hoped the consideration of it might be postponed to some other occasion.

The Duke of Richmond opposed the adopting any permanent system as unconstitutional, and as tending to deprive future legislatures of their right.

Lord Stormont was for a subsequent discussion of the resolution.

Earl Stanhope, having little hopes of carrying his motion on any subsequent day, said that he wished it to stand on the Journals of the House. Were the previous question put on it, he should not obtain the object.

The question was then put on the original motion, and it was, without a division, negatived.

Lord Stormont then moved, that a message may be sent to the House of Commons, requesting that they may communicate to this House the grounds on which they proceeded in passing the present bill.

Lord Bathurst resisted the motion as irregular, and unbecoming the dignity of the House.

After a short conversation, Lord Stormont agreed to withdraw his motion.

The Duke of Richmond then moved, That there should be laid before the House a copy of the report of the Select Committee of the House of Commons; which motion was agreed to. Adjourned.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

MONDAY, May 22.

AGREED to the report of the whale fishery bill, and ordered it to be engrossed.

Agreed also to the report of the resolutions of Friday last on the supply.

Passed the two Exchequer loan bills.

Came to several resolutions on the pilchard fishery.

Ordered the East India judicature bill to be engrossed.

Deferred several orders of the day.

Sir John Sinclair moved, that the further consideration of the petition, complaining of the Kirkwall election, be postponed till Thursday se'night, which was agreed to.

A petition was presented from certain agent concerned in the St Eustatius prize-money, praying to be heard by counsel against a bill for transferring the management of the affairs from the prize agents; leave was given accordingly.

Sir George Howard then moved, that the commitment of the bill should be deferred till Thursday next. The reason for this motion proceeded from the absence of the Master of the Rolls, whose opinion was necessary. The motion was agreed to.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer presented the bill for transferring certain duties on wines from the Customs to the Excise; which being read: first time, and ordered to be printed.

The Chancellor then moved, that it be read a second time on Friday next.

Mr Sheridan thought Friday too early a day for the second reading, as gentlemen could not have an opportunity of considering the merits or demerits of it before Thursday.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer was of a contrary opinion. Those chiefly concerned in the transfer had already received every necessary information. A considerable time had elapsed since he had first given notice of the measure. On its introduction he had fully explained the nature of the alteration. He was convinced it was for the interest of the country, and therefore persuaded that it ought to be adopted as soon as possible.

Mr Sheridan replied, that the people concerned were very much dissatisfied with the alteration, and meant to apply to Parliament to be heard by counsel against it. He condemned the conduct of the Rt. Hon. Gentleman for the introduction of so important a law at this advanced period of the session, and thought it would be acting with candour if he receded from part of his motion. It would give, he said, many respectable gentlemen great satisfaction, if the subject was not hurried through the House too precipitately; he therefore moved, that instead of "Friday," the words, "Wednesday se'night," be inserted.

Mr Dempster observed, that the printing of the bill, which certainly resembled a tax bill, ought to be considered as a laudable step towards the printing of the tax bills in future.

The question was then put on Mr Sheridan's amendment, which was negatived.

Lord Surrey reminded the House of a motion which was lately withdrawn, relative to a list of the American Loyalists who had claims on government. These claims, he observed, as originally stated, amounted to 3,000,000 l. but this sum had been reduced to about 700,000 l. It was, however, worthy of notice, that numbers of American Loyalists had not as yet presented their claims, which amounted to about 2,000,000 l. more. Considering these circumstances, he thought a motion ought to be made for the production of a correct list, stating the claimants names, and specifying the particular sums of each.

Mr Rose said, he had no objection to such a motion; but as there were no urgent reasons for the production of the list, and the claims of those who had already appeared had been carefully examined by the commissions appointed for that purpose, he wished the noble Lord would not persist in his motion.

Lord Surrey finding it was not the wish of the House to proceed, declined making the motion, but promised that he would take the first opportunity of bringing the subject before Parliament in another shape.

Mr Sheridan rose, in consequence of the notice which he had given, in order to make a motion for the printing of tax-bills. He was convinced every person would readily coincide with him in opinion, that there were no bills of more importance than tax bills. They ought, therefore, to be well understood before they passed; and no mode could be more eligible for diffusing the information, than the printing of every tax bill previous to its final discussion. The practice of printing bills indeed was but of a modern date, as might be seen from the refusal of Mr Hatfield's precedents. This custom also had not yet extended to tax bills; but he could not conceive any reason for the exception, unless it were want of custom. He thought a custom, however, which was not justified by any solid arguments, ought to be renounced. As the printing of tax bills would be attended with the happiest effects, he hoped no gentleman would oppose a measure of such general utility to the country. He applauded the parliamentary maxim, of not admitting petitions against a tax bill during the same session in which the law was passed. If such a rule were not enforced, very unnecessary delays would arise. The motion he now meant to submit to the House had no tendency of that kind; and what it was designed to remedy, was not justified by any order of the House, but only by practice. As taxation had now increased to a very great degree, it was found expedient to invest Justices of the Peace with more extensive powers than they had hitherto possessed. The blunders and confusion which had ensued from the multiplication of the laws, within these two years, had been attended with much injury to the revenue, and with much inconvenience and molestation to the subjects. It was therefore by no means strange, if Justices of the Peace were puzzled in endeavouring to expound the nature of the new regulations. Par-

liament should, in consequence of these defects, adopt some mode of affording gentlemen an opportunity to consider the minutiae of the new acts. He was astonished how the clerks could form an index from such imperfect materials. No reference could be made to the original act, unless the index were worded in this manner—"An act to repeal an act, to alter an act, to explain and amend an act," &c. This system had the appearance of naval architecture, by first laying the keel, then forming the ribs, then the rigging and other appurtenances; but what was remarkable, the ship at last was obliged to put to sea without a rudder! He then mentioned some supposed deficiencies in the Horse, Stamp, and Window acts, and said, that the wording of some conveyed the idea of the horses not only inhabiting the houses, but the extraordinary circumstance of their looking out of the windows. He then condemned the proposed tax on perfumery; and, enumerating the articles of lavender, milk of roses, &c. said the Commissioners, in distinguishing the various particulars of taxation, must be guided by Nature with the nose of pointers; then, alluding to Parliament, he quoted the following passage from Pope's Rape of the Lock:

"Our humble province is to tend the fair,
Not a less pleasing, though less glorious care;
To fave the powder from too rude a gale,
Nor let th' imprison'd essences exhale."

Mr Sheridan concluded by moving, "That the bill relative to a tax on perfumery, be printed."

Mr Rose said he had no particular objection to the motion, but thought it was ill-timed, and would be of very little service.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer expressed himself happy that the days of taxation were nearly at an end, as the revenue of the country was considerably improved. If any good could be derived from the present motion, he would not oppose it; but from a consciousness of its futility, he was of opinion it was needless to trouble the House with any thing of the kind.

Mr Beaufoy and some others spoke, after which the House divided,

Ayes	24
Noes	119

Adjourned.

FROM THE LONDON PAPERS, May 23.

Leighorn, April 28. We have just received accounts that the Venetian General Emo, had taken and plundered the town of Sfax, of which action the following are said to be some of the particulars, viz. The General having arrived upon the coast of Tunis, was seeking out the best part to commence an attack with a prospect of success, when it was universally determined to try what could be done against the town of Sfax. Accordingly he boldly attacked that place on the sea side, and the besieged defended themselves with courage till four pieces of ordnance burst, and killed a number of people, which threw some confusion among the garrison; in the mean time, General Emo perceiving that his guns had every effect he could wish, landed 1500 Sclavonians, with orders to storm the place, which they did with success, and with great slaughter. We are in ardent expectation of further accounts of this victory.

L O N D O N, May 23.

Lord Mansfield, though gradually feeling the hand of time, is not so bad in his health as generally reported. His immediate disorder, like that of old Macklin, is a rheumatism, which he felt so much in his right hand, as to make the ceremony of taking off his hat as *locum tenens* for the Chancellor, too troublesome.—Hence the appointment of Earl Bathurst.—He has given up the sittings after term, though he means to preside this and the ensuing term at the King's Bench.—Perhaps Michaelmas may give us a new Chief, not but that we hope the present has many years for retirement and enjoyment of his friends.

The Lord Chancellor will remove next week to Bath, for the benefit of his health, which being a little established, his physicians have recommended a trip to the south of France, it being thought advisable that his Lordship should not enter again on public business, at least before the meeting of Parliament in November next.

The treaty lately concluded between England and Russia, is said to be the most advantageous which has been hitherto negotiated.

It is whispered, that the great business of the British Cabinet at present, is the adoption of a plan laid down by the Marquis of Lansdowne, for colonizing the province of Nova Scotia with American refugees. The advantages which are expected to accrue to this country from settling a number of faithful friends, strongly attached to our happy constitution, are infinite. This plan is said to extend to Canada, St John's, and Cape Breton. To infuse, it seems, a considerable portion of the spirit of monarchy into the government of what we may call British America, as well as into that of our Asiatic dependencies, is found to be necessary for the purpose of retaining them in subjection.

The Insurance from the West Indies to London is now done so low as 50 s. per cent.

Yesterday the Court of Common Pleas was moved on behalf of the High-Bailiff, that the trial of the action brought against him by Mr Fox, for granting a scrutiny, and delaying the return, in which Mr Fox lays his damages at 100,000 l. might be tried at bar. The Court, upon argument, refused the application. We understand that the trial will take place at the sittings in Middlesex, after the present term.

Yesterday morning a duel was fought in Hyde-Park, between the Hon. John Townshend, second son to Lord Townshend, and William Fawcener, Esq; one of the clerks of the Privy Council. The misunderstanding which occasioned this duel, happened at Ranelagh, last Friday evening, concerning a lady. Mr Fawcener fired first, and missed Mr Townshend; upon which Mr Townshend fired his pistol in the air. Here the matter ended.

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Carpmeal, two of the officers of Bow-street, set off in a post-chaise for Snaith, in Yorkshire, being upwards of 200 miles, in pursuit of a Mr Mark Powell, clerk to Mess Hardcastle and Field, of Thames-street, merchants, who had forged his masters draft on Mess Bland, Barnet, Hoare, and Hill, of Lombard-street, for 450 l. 14 s. on the 5th inst. The above officers found him at his father's house at Snaith, and immediately set off again for London, where they arrived on Sunday afternoon, with their prisoner, who was yesterday examined before Sir S. Wright, and committed to Newgate for trial. What makes this matter the more lamentable, is, Mr Powell, who bore an universal good character, was just married to a young lady of a genteel fortune, (which he was soon to receive), and who was with him at Snaith when he was apprehended.—It seems he committed the forgery to answer an intermediate purpose in trade, intending to repay it when he received the money he was entitled to by his marriage, and without any apprehension of the dangerous consequences of the offence.—On his arrival in town, he ingeniously discovered where near 400 l. of the money was, which he had left in a friend's hands, and which was instantly recovered.

About eighteen years since, Mr E. P. Solomons, a Jew merchant, having failed in business, gave up all that he possessed to his creditors: after which, a balance of near 12,000 l. remained unpaid. This sum, greatly to his honour, he has discharged within these few days, though not obliged by law to do so.

The different resolutions reported yesterday from the Committee of Ways and Means, are as follow:

Resolution on hair powder—is

"That upon every packet containing hair-powder that shall be vended, the price not exceeding two shillings for the pound, a stamp duty of one penny for every pound."

Resolutions on light houses—are

"That it would conduce greatly to the security of navigation and the fisheries, if four light houses were erected on the northern parts of Great Britain.

"That for erecting and maintaining the said light-houses, a duty of one penny per ton be imposed on all ships and decked vessels navigating those seas."

82,386 l. remaining in the Exchequer 5th April 1786, surplus of deductions of 6 d. in the pound paid on salaries, &c.

16,431 l. 5 s. remaining in the Exchequer 5th April 1786, of the duties on monies granted for paying annuities on lives.

20,281 l. 15 s. remaining in the Exchequer on fame day of the duties on glass.

12,735 l. 13 s. remaining in Exchequer on fame day of the duties on vellum and paper. And

40,414 l. 9 s. 5 d. remaining in the Exchequer of monies that remained on two-sevenths Excise.

The above to be applied towards the supply granted to his Majesty.

From the Committee of Supply—the following:

6,500 l. for purchasing land in the island of St Vincent.

6,356 l. for completing the purchase of the soil of the Bahama Islands.

62,059 l. 5 s. to make good money to American sufferers.

3750 l. 14 s. to pay fees on the receipt of 150,000 l. granted to the American Loyalists.

2,426 l. 9 s. for the passage of Mr Dundas and Mr Pemberton to Nova Scotia, Commissioners for American claims.

16,061 l. 16 s. 3 d. to discharge Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, &c. bills, drawn on the Treasury.

21,560 l. 5 s. 7 d. for maintaining convicts on the Thames.

1000 l. to replace that sum issued to the Secretary of the Commissioners of Public Accounts.

The rejection of the Duke of Richmond's fortification scheme, in one of the fullest Houses ever seen at this season, and when every friend to Administration had been summoned, is a full proof that there are some points, which no majority can carry against the opinion of the Public; and it is a matter of equal concern and surprise to many of the Minister's friends, that he would commit himself upon such ground, where the very face of the propositions induced the necessity of an enormous future expenditure, and when the public had been so much disgusted at the fallacious mode in which the plan was originally introduced.

It is the current report, that, upon the arrival of the last dispatches at Petersburg from the Russian Minister at Constantinople, an extraordinary assembly of all the Ministers of State took place in presence of the Empress of Russia, when it was determined to send a courier immediately to Constantinople, with orders for Mr Bulgakow, the Russian Minister, immediately to quit that capital without taking leave, and as privately as possible. If this is confirmed, we may soon expect to hear some important accounts.

Blanchard performed his 17th aerial excursion the 18th ult. from Douay. This ascension was the noblest sight the inhabitants of Flanders ever beheld. He mounted with the greatest intrepidity, and was followed by the eyes of the multitude for half an hour. This voyage, from the violence of the wind, may be considered as the most perilous experiment which this wonderful aeronaut ever made. He went 96 miles in the same number of minutes, and descended at P'toile, a village in Piccadry. M. Deleloge, the lord of the manor, received him with every mark of distinction. Over St Amand, in Artois, he dropped the following letter:—

To the EDITORS of the PARIS JOURNAL.

In the Air, April 18. 1786.

"I am reckoned an original, and am proud of the title. With an untied hand, on the border of my undulating car, and soaring eighteen thousand feet above the surface of the terrestrial globe, an immensity of space at my feet, and a wide extent of airy regions before me, I address, Gentlemen, this letter to you. I intend to drop it over the first town I see when I am descending, and will send you a more particular account when I am firmly fixed on the

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The people of Douay, they say, raised for him a subscription of 1000 l. sterling; and are charmed with having liberally contributed to a performance so novel and amazing.

Extract of a letter from Windsor, May 21.
“Yesterday his Majesty hunted for the last time this season, when the Rev. Dr Young, Fellow of Eton College, and Prebend of Worcester, was thrown from his horse, and almost instantly expired. The accidental death of the Doctor, who was greatly respected by all that knew him, induced many gentlemen immediately to return home.”

PRICE OF STOCKS, MAY 23.
Bank Stock, —
3 per cent. Ann. 109½ a ¼
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EDINBURGH.

THE AUTHOR OF THE AUTHENTIC INTELLIGENCE respecting the South Bridge does now know who is the author of the paper, under the signature of **TRUTH**, in your last, and takes this public opportunity of retorting the charge upon him of being guilty of a gross and slanderous falsehood.

Extract of a letter from London, May 23.
HOUSE OF COMMONS.

CARLISLE ELECTION.

“As soon as one hundred members were collected together, the House balloted for a Committee for deciding on the merits of the late election for Carlisle, when the following Gentlemen were chosen:—Sir John Morhead, Sir Charles Davers, Sir Edward Littleton, Mr Lister, Mr Bullock, Mr Pardo, Mr Myddleton, the Hon. Mr Monckton, Mr Fludger, Sir Matthew White Ridley, Mr Jerroise, Mr Crutchley, Mr Purling, Mr Fox, and Alderman Townhend. The two last, Mr Fox and Alderman Townhend, were chosen Nominees; and Mr Erskine and Mr Dallas are counsel for Mr Christian; Mr Pigot and Mr Graham, for the sitting member; and Mr Chamberlayne, for the inhabitants.

COUNTY ASSESSMENT BILL.

“The Lord Advocate moved for the second reading of the county assessment for the prosecution of criminals in Scotland.

“Mr Skene admitted the propriety of the bill, but thought a farther delay of it extremely necessary, in order that time might be allowed the different counties to take the same into their consideration. He should, therefore, move, that the second reading of it be adjourned to that day three months.

“Sir William Cunningham also urged the necessity of postponing the bill on the same ground, and added, that there were several very objectionable clauses, and in particular, one that went to transfer the right of trial of criminals before the Judges to the Sheriffs. He should, for the reasons he had assigned, be for having the bill delayed for three months, in order that time might be had for considering more maturely of its merits.

“The Speaker then read the original motion, and the amendments proposed being then offered, namely, that it should be read that day three months,

“The Lord Advocate said, that the bill has already been delayed a year, it having been before the House the last Session, and postponed on the same ground that had now been urged. He said, that this bill was only to amend the mode of assessing, and disposing of the same, as there had been much misapplication of the money collected; the money collected having frequently been applied to the building of bridges, and the repairing the high roads, a thing never intended when the fund was instituted. The fund, he observed, had been ever since the reign of George I. and this bill only went to put it upon a good footing, and to regulate it better for the future; it was also, he believed, the only fund, except the King's purse, for the prosecution of criminals in Scotland; and as the Gentlemen who opposed it, admitted the necessity of such a bill, he should be for its being now read.

“Sir William Cunningham rose to repeat his former arguments; which having concisely done, he declared his resolution of dividing the House; in consequence of which, the gallery was cleared. After the strangers had withdrawn, some farther conversation ensued, and upon their being admitted again, it was agreed to withdraw all farther opposition to the bill, and it was read a second time, and ordered to be committed.

KIRKWALE ELECTION.

“Sir John Sinclair moved for leave to withdraw the Kirkwall controverted election bill.

“The Speaker informed him, that three days notice were necessary to be given, for the moving leave to withdraw a petition.

“Sir John Sinclair then moved, that the motion for leave to withdraw the petition be taken into consideration on Tuesday next.

“The Exchequer loan bill was read a third time, and ordered to the Lords.

“After some farther business of a less interesting nature, respecting the mode of receiving bills, &c. concerning bridges and canals, &c. the House adjourned till to-morrow.

“During the sitting of the House, a message was received from the Lords, for requesting that there be laid before the House of Lords an account of the proceedings of that House, on the passing the bill for the reduction of the national debt; and Mr Pitt moved, that the said message be taken into consideration to-morrow.”

On the 27th ult. was married William Maxwell Morison, Esq; Advocate, to Miss Sibella Stephen,

eldest daughter of the deceased Mr James Stephen, of London, merchant.

Died at Chunar Ghur, East Indies, in November last, Mr John Fergusson, surgeon in the Hon. East-India Company's service, and son to Provost David Fergusson of Ayr.

Died on Wednesday the 24th, Mr Robert Selkirk, late merchant in this city.

Died on the 21st current, at Delnace, Alexander Campbell, Esq; of Delnace, in the 81st year of his age.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

On Wednesday, the Committee of the whole house having deliberately gone through the several sections of the new Form of Process, and made such alterations upon them as they thought necessary, they ordered it to be printed, as amended, and transmitted to the ministers of the Church of Scotland; which resolution being reported to the Assembly, the same was agreed to. The thanks of the House were then delivered from the chair to the Procurator, for his great attention and diligence in preparing the sketch, and likewise to the members of the sub-committee, who took the trouble of revising the same.

The Assembly then took into consideration a petition from Jean Purves, relict of John Tuck, against the Rev. Mr Jolly at Coldingham, who had not intimated, till December 1783, that her sentence of excommunication was taken off, although the same was ordered by the Assembly to be intimated before August that year; and had given her a certificate injurious to her, and disrespectful to the Commission of Assembly. The Assembly appointed their Moderator to rebuke Mr Jolly at the bar, and ordained the kirk session of Coldingham to grant a proper certificate to Jean Purves.

Thursday, the Assembly had under consideration some points in the case of the Reverend Dr Bryden at Dalton, which has so long engaged the attention of the Church Courts. The first point determined was an appeal at the instance of Dr Bryden, and the Presbytery of Lochmaben, against a sentence of the Synod of Dumfries, on the 18th of October last, concerning the relevancy of the condescendence relative to Ann Dalziel. Dr Bryden was heard in his defence; Mr Corbett, as counsel for the professors; Dr Lamont appeared for the Synod, and Mr Henderson for the Presbytery; after which several gentlemen spoke, and the vote was put, and carried, to Affirm the sentence of the Synod, 55: Reverse, 15; Majority, 40.—The next question was an appeal from a sentence of the Synod of Dumfries, at the instance of Dr Bryden, dated 19th October last, affirming a sentence of the Presbytery of Lochmaben. The Assembly, without a vote, agreed to dismiss the appeal, and affirm the sentence of the Synod of Dumfries and Presbytery of Lochmaben. The next question was a reference by the Synod of Dumfries, on the 19th of October last, on an appeal by the professors of Dr Bryden, against a sentence of the Presbytery of Lochmaben, of the 4th of October, finding that the sentence of last Assembly, limiting the time of examining witnesses to the 1st of October, and that day having elapsed, they were precluded from examining certain witnesses mentioned. The Assembly, without a vote, reversed the sentence of the Presbytery of Lochmaben, and found the proof not concluded.—The Assembly, yesterday, on a division, 62 against 45, remitted the cause to the Presbytery of Lochmaben, with a recommendation to proceed in finishing the business with all convenient speed, agreeable to the rules of the Church.

The Assembly then proceeded to the case of Mr Macintosh, minister of Moy, which hath been so long depending. It came at present by appeals from Mr Macintosh against two sentences of the Presbytery of Inverness; the first refusing to allow him to produce two exculpatory witnesses, after the day fixed by the Synod of Moray, for concluding his exculpatory proof; the second, a sentence deposing him from the ministry. After hearing parties, at great length, a motion was made by Mr George Fergusson advocate, “That the General Assembly, in respect the judgment of the Presbytery was pronounced during the dependence of an appeal duly lodged, Reverse the said judgment, and remit to the Presbytery to resume the consideration of the cause; and, on the application of the parties, to proceed according to the laws of the Church.” In this motion, he was supported by Drs Grieve, Lamont, Porteous, Mr Arnot, and several other members. It was very strongly opposed by Dr Barclay, Mr Bulteel, Mr Dickson advocate, Dr Macnigh, Professor Hill, Mr Robert Walker, and Mr Thomson, who contended, that agreeing to it would be attended with most fatal consequences, and render our jurisdiction quite inextinguishable, as it would be putting it in the power of parties, by appealing on every step, to prevent process from being ever brought to an issue. Here the case of Mr Grier was particularly mentioned; in the course of whose prosecution, no fewer than thirty-two appeals had been taken by him against different interlocutors of the inferior Courts; and, as to the act of Assembly respecting appeals, on which Mr Fergusson had founded his motion, they insisted, that it prohibited the final sentences of inferior Courts being carried into execution in the face of an appeal; but did not hinder passing such sentences. They therefore moved, “That the Assembly should proceed to judge of the merits of the two appeals in this cause in the order in which they were taken.” After long reasoning, it was agreed to put the vote, *Fifth or Second motion?* and the roll being called, it carried *Second*, by a majority of 3; there being 43 for the first motion, and 46 for the second. In consequence of this decision, the Assembly proceeded to consider the first appeal from the Presbytery of Inverness, of date 1st March last, finding Mr Mackintosh's proof closed, in respect he was appointed by the sentence of the Synod in April 1785, to have it closed previous to that day. Parties were heard as to this point; and, after a great deal of reasoning among the members, in order to prevent a second vote, they agreed to the following judgment:—“Waving judging of both appeals, remit it to the Presbytery of Inverness

to summon Andrew Noble and Janet Davidson, and no other witnesses, these two being the only remaining witnesses whom Mr Mackintosh had desired the Presbytery to examine; or, to grant commission for examining them to the Presbytery within the bounds of which they reside; and ordain Mr Mackintosh to apply to the Presbytery for that purpose, on or before the 1st of August, and to finish his proof against the 1st of March 1787; and if Mr Mackintosh does not finish his proof against said day, the Presbytery is ordained to hold his proof as closed, and to judge on the whole proof.”—Against this decision Mr Thomson of Carnock dissented.

Yesterday, the General Assembly, in consequence of a petition from Mr James Dickson bookseller, unanimously agreed to renew the grant to that gentleman, of the sole right of printing and publishing the Translations and Paraphrases of Holy Scripture for the space of nine years from this period. A petition from the Managers of the Royal Infirmary was likewise received, and the Assembly unanimously renewed the order of last Assembly upon such parishes as have not yet had an opportunity of making a collection for that useful institution, and appointed the petition to be transmitted to the several Presbyteries who have not already made the collection.

This day, the General Assembly had a number of overtures under their consideration, some of which they simply rejected, others they transmitted to Presbyteries, and others were remitted to special Committees, appointed to take them under consideration, and report to next Assembly.

The Assembly is just now engaged in hearing the case of Mr John Scott, minister of Strathaven, upon a libel at his instance against Mr Gilmour, Carechift of that parish; the particulars of which we must defer till our next, as it is thought they will fit late.

Yesterday, the 6th (or Inniscilling) regiment of dragoons, was reviewed at Musselburgh by his Excellency General Mackay. They gave great satisfaction to the General, and to a numerous and brilliant company.

On Wednesday, the Town Council voted their thanks to the Lord Provost, as a testimony of their high approbation of his conduct, with regard to the improvements now carrying on in this city.

A correspondent remarks, that the inhabitants of this city are divided in opinion with respect to the South Bridge now building; the adherents of the Magistrates and Trustees are greatly mortified that their plan is frustrated by the amendment of the bill in the House of Lords, which will cause it to be thrown out, being a money bill, when returned to the Commons. A new bill is said to be ready, in which Mr Adam's plan will be adopted, (which is approved of by almost all the inhabitants) but a strict clause should be introduced for the due execution of that plan, and to prevent any attempt that may be formed to defeat it by any ambiguity in the new bill. If Mr Adam's plan had been originally adopted, much trouble and expence might have been saved, as well as inconvenience to the citizens, by the foolish project of levelling the streets to so great a depth, which it now appears there was no occasion for, on the mode of executing the business as proposed by Messrs Adam.

The Jury who, last week, fixed the value of the houses in the Lawnmarket, which are to be pulled down to make the road to the mound of earth across the North Loch, determined upon liberal and fair grounds, and gave general satisfaction to the proprietors.

At present there is a greater scarcity of good butcher meat in the markets of this city, than has been known for several years past. This, it is said, proceeds, in a great measure, from the severity of the Excise laws, and the rigorous mode in which they are presently enforced, the small distillers having been thereby deterred from carrying on business during the winter months, and consequently prevented from feeding a great number of cattle, which used to supply the markets at this season. It is to be hoped, that the landed interest, and community in general, will exert their influence, in getting the distillery law, which is just upon the eve of being brought into Parliament, established upon such a footing, as that the greatest number of cattle possible may be fed, in proportion to the grain consumed in the distillery business.

We hear from Borrowstounness, that the pilot-boat of Grangemouth, James Maxwell master, laying at anchor off the harbour of Borrowstounness, on Wednesday evening, was run down by a vessel from Dundee, Lyell master, there being none on board said boat but Maxwell and his son William. James the master was saved by climbing to the top-mast-head, by a boat sent from the harbour, his son William drowned.

Upon the 15th current, there was launched at Fort-William a handsome built sloop, of 30 tons burden, called the Lady Glengary, Lachlan Mac-lachlan master, intended for the bounty on the white herring fishery, so much the object of public attention, and in which, with other important articles, the patriotic Highland Society of Edinburgh, as real friends to their country, have greatly interested themselves.

One day last week, some people who had carried barley to a brewer in Hamilton, drank rather freely. On their return home, one of them appeared so intoxicated, that his comrades thought proper to tie him to the cart. When they got home, they found the man was dead, and the ropes to have been too tight tied.

The ingenious and indefatigable Dr Campbell, of Lancaster, has found by an experiment made on Thursday morning, that the atmosphere is very much impregnated with putrid particles, which he demonstrated by the ascension of a piece of meat, which, after a short duration in that elevated region, defended very much putrified.—He supposes this to be the cause of the present sicknesses that prevails there, owing to the long continuance of the dry unwholesome easterly winds.

A gentleman, at Beaufort, Port Royal, near Charleston, in a letter to his correspondent here, dated April 2, after giving him an order for goods, concludes thus: “I could wish you would tell

some of your preachers, that there is great need for them here; any that are here are those that have little or no authority to preach. I know of several churches vacant both of the church of Scotland and England; salaries are between 200 l. and 300 l. Sterling per annum. Mr Graham that went from Falkirk, has in Charleston 300 l. Sterling yearly. A young minister here has an opportunity of getting a Lady with 5000 l.

Extract of a letter from Inverle, April 29.

“I am sorry to write you, that this country will soon be a desert, if some means are not fallen upon to prevent emigration. No less than four hundred souls go from this little place about the middle of summer. At present all is in confusion. They intend for Canada.”

Extract of a letter from Berwick, May 23.

“The Mary and Nancy, Captain Dryburgh, from Wemyss, loaded with coals for Hamburg, sprung a leak on Sunday the 21st instant, about four o'clock in the afternoon, off Newton Point, two miles from shore. The crew, six in number, were with difficulty saved by the activity of Mr Edward Henderson, and the assistance of some fishermen with their cables.”

Haarlem, April 8. 1786. This day the Teylerian Society assembled for the decision of their annual prize, which had last year been offered to the best dissertation “On the folly of Scepticism, the absurdity of dogmatizing on religious subjects, and the proper medium to be observed between these two extremes.” Adjudged the Gold Medal to William Browne, D. D. Minister of the English Church, and Member of the Provincial Society of Arts and Sciences at Utrecht.

MARY'S CHAPEL, Edin. May 25. 1786.

The UNITED INCORPORATIONS OF MARY'S CHAPEL having taken into their consideration an improved plan of the South Bridge, and adjacent streets and buildings, which has been offered by Messrs ADAM of London, did UNANIMOUSLY APPROVE thereof, as tending both to the ornament and convenience of this city, for which they think these gentlemen well entitled to the approbation of the inhabitants of the city and its environs; and they order their Deacons to transmit to Messrs ADAM a copy of this minute, with the thanks of these Incorporations for the improvements thus suggested by them.

They are also of opinion, that the noblemen and gentlemen at London, who have supported this improved plan, have deserved well of their country in general, and of this city in particular, for the active part they have taken in this business; and these Incorporations flatter themselves that they will continue in affording to the trustees their assistance and countenance in carrying through so patriotic a measure. The Incorporations order this minute to be published in the Edinburgh and London newspapers.

Extracted from the records, by
ALEX. GARDNER, Clerk.

ARRIVED AT LEITH, May 25. Mary, Hay, from London, with goods.—26. James, Somerville, from Newcastle, with goods; Providence, Jones, from Albia, with coals and goods.—27. Earl of Elgin, Wood, from Perth, with grain; Friends Goodwill, Crawford, from Rotterdam, with goods; Providence, Alexander, from Albia, with grain; Concord, Scott, from Portlory, with ditto. Three sloops with coals.

SAILED, Two Brothers, Kidd, for Montrose, with goods; William and John, Hunter, for Hull, with ditto; Newcastle, Tapp, for London, with ditto; Industry, Pat, for Berwick, with ditto; Providence, Saughton, for Kirkwall, with ditto.

ARRIVED AT GREENOCK, May 22. Fortitude, Leitch, from Grenada, with sugar, &c.; Sally, Scott, from North Carolina, with tobacco; Othello, Morrison, from Banamptle, with timber; Lark, Hunter, from Newry, with goods.—23. Betty, White, from Bristol, with ditto; Tobias, Gordon, from Jamaica, with sugar and rum.—24. Nelly, Johnston, from London, with goods.—25. Sally, McKirdy, from Lahro, with salt; Aim, Jamieson, from Jamaica, with sugar and rum.

ARRIVED AT GRANGEMOUTH, May 23. Three Brothers, Runciman, from Dumbur, with wheat and flour; Betty, Garden, from Aberdeen, with oats and barley.—26. Industry, Neilson, from Thurso, with barley.

NEW SERMONS, &c.

Just Published,

By C. ELLIOT, PARLIAMENT SQUARE,

1. SERMONS by the late Rev. Mr Gordon of Speymouth, 2 vols. 8vo. price 10 s. in boards.
2. — by the Rev. Mr Robert Walker of Edinburgh, a new edition, 3 vols. 8vo. 15 s. in boards.
3. — by Mr Spence at Orwall, 8vo. 4 s. in boards.
4. — by Mr Carr of Edinburgh, 2 vols. 8vo. 5th edition, 10 s. bound.
5. — by Mr Walker of Truro, 2 vols. 8vo. 12 s. bound.
6. — by Mr Keith of Keith-hall, 5 s. in boards.
7. — by Mr Steel at Stair, 5 s.
8. Mr Smith's View of the Last Judgment.
9. Mr Jamieson of Forfar's Sermon at the Ordination of Mr John McAn.

Saracen's Head, Stirling.

GEORGE M'KECHNIE respectfully informs the Nobility, Gentry, and Public in general, that he has now opened that commodious, central, and well-known INN, lately possessed by Mr Wingate. No expence has been spared, either in regard to furniture or repairs, in fitting it up in the completest manner for the accommodation of travellers.—He has laid in an assortment of the best Wines and other Liquors, and hopes, by the most punctual attention, to merit the favour of the Public.

Neat Post Chaises, with good horses and careful drivers, to be had on the shortest notice.

Tickets given out for the Edinburgh Stage Coach; and in a few days a New Stage Coach is to be set up between Stirling and Glasgow, to run at the reduced price of 5 s. 6 d. a seat.

FOR LONDON,

THE ENDEAVOUR,

R. ROBERTSON Master,

Is now lying on the Birth in Leith Harbour, taking in goods, and will sail the 8th of June.

The ship has good accommodation for passengers.

The master spoke with at the Exchange Coffee-house, in a letter to Change hours; mornings and evenings on board the ship, or at his house in Leith.

Salmon Fishings at Perth to be Let.

THAT, upon the 17th day of August next, at 12 o'clock noon, within the Town-house of Perth, there will be exposed to public voluntary roup, a TACK or LEASE for thirteen or nineteen years, as offerers shall incline, from and after the 11th of December 1787, of the whole SALMON FISHINGS upon the river Tay, belonging to the Community or Burgh of Perth, as presently let in six separate leases. The articles and conditions of the roup and lease, will be seen in the hands of the town-clerks.

TO LET,
THE House of South Coats, Garden,
and Offices, lying a little west of the New Town of Edinburgh, belonging to the heirs of James Finlay, Esq; of Wallyford, presently possessed by James Anderson, Esq; of Monie.

The House to be let with or without an Inclosure of twenty-three Acres.
As also to Let, An Inclosure of about sixteen Acres, laid down in grass, lying at Colt Bridge, part of the farm of Monayhall.—To be entered to immediately.
For particulars apply to Harie Guthrie, jun. writer in Argyle Square.

To be SOLD, and entered to at Whitfunday 1787,

THE VILLA at Fountainbridge, called the GROVE, being the property of Lord Colville, consisting of a commodious dwelling-house, with good offices and above seven Scots acres, conveniently and agreeably laid out in grass fields, gardens, and pleasure grounds.

Whoever is inclined to purchase will be shown the premises at any reasonable time, by the gardener living on the spot; and for further information may apply to William Lumfildine clerk to the signet, New Street, who will acquaint them with the conditions and all particulars.

To be SOLD by public roup, within John's Coffeehouse, on Wednesday the 31st of May instant, between the hours of one and two afternoon,

A Tenement of Houses lying in Canon-Mills near Edinburgh, lately belonging to Thomas Bowman Skinner there, which is divided into several small houses, paying in whole about Fourteen Guineas of yearly rent. The subjects hold feu of the representatives of James Turnbull, late weaver in Canonmills, for payment of six shillings and two pence Sterling of feu-duty. They were lately built, and are in very good repair.

For further particulars, apply to James Marshall writer to the signet. Not to be repeated.

JUDICIAL SALE.

Lands and Superiorities in Ayrshire.

To be SOLD, by public roup, under the authority of the Lords of Council and Session, within the Parliament or New Session-house of Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 26th day of July 1786, between four and six afternoon,

The WHOLE LANDS and ESTATE belonging to Dr JOHN CAMPBELL of Wellwood, DAVID MACLURE of Shawwood, and GEORGE MCCREE of Pitcon, in the lots following, viz.

LOT I. The Lands of EAST and WEST DOWRAYS, TONGUE, and others, now generally known by the name of Hallmark, lying in the parish of Tarbolton, and shire of Ayr.

The proven free rent of these Lands is 888 l. 4 s. 11 d. 4-12ths Sterling; which the Lords have valued at twentytwo years purchase, the uplet price is L. 19,541 8 9 4-12ths. And the privilege of purchasing the free teind of the farm of Clerk-shield, part of the above lands (to the teinds of which farm no right appears) being 6 l. 9 d. 5-12ths the Lords have valued at five years purchase, or

30 3 11 1-12th

Total uplet price, L. 19,571 12 8 5-12ths. These Lands (a small part excepted) hold of the Crown, and are rated at about 900 l. Scots of valued rent. They contain 1337 Scots acres, are of good soil, and are conveniently situated for markets. The village of Tarbolton lies; one end of the estate, Mauchline about a mile and a half from the other; and the town of Kilmarnock is not more than four miles distant; Ayr and Irvine about five or six.—The lands are all laid out in farms, which are inclosed and properly subdivided, and the hedges are thriving. There is a very considerable quantity of low-lying wet land, on which little or no estimate was put when the farms were last let; but which, if drained, would become very valuable. The lands are surrounded with coal and lime; and, from trials formerly made, there is reason to conclude, that coal would be found under different parts of this estate, which at a period not perhaps very remote, may become a considerable object, the neighbouring coal being supposed to be nearly exhausted.

LOT II. The Lands of PITCON and LINTSEED-RIDGE, lying in the parish of Dalry, and shire of Ayr.

The proven free rent of the flock of these lands exclusive of the teind, is 155 l. 3 s. 4 d. 6-12ths, which the Lords have valued at 23 years purchase, or L. 3568 17 7 6-12ths. And the free teind being

188 11 5 6-12ths

Upset price, 3757 9 1. These Lands hold blench of the Prince and Stewart of Scotland, and afford a freehold qualification on the old extent. They are situated on the water of Garnock, hard by the populous village of Dalry. And the villages of Kilwinning and Kilburny; the town of Beith and burgh of Irvine are at a small distance. The lands are all inclosed and subdivided; and having been for many years in the proprietor's natural possession, and of late let chiefly for grass or pasture, they are at present in excellent heart. The soil is uncommonly fine,—the situation pleasant,—and the communication with the above market towns easy.—Abundance of coal and lime are at hand. A more delightful inland spot of similar extent is hardly any where to be met with.

LOT III. The Lands of SHAWOOD, lying in the parish of Tarbolton, and shire of Ayr.

The proven free rent is 126 l. 18 s. 4 d. which the Lords have valued at twenty-two years purchase, or L. 2792 3 4

This Lot holds of a subject superior, for payment of a trifling feu-duty. It is agreeably situated within four miles of Ayr, and commands a beautiful prospect of that town and bay, with the country adjacent. The lands are all inclosed and subdivided, and the inclosures surrounded with belts of planting; which, with other small plantations, are thriving, and add to the value as well as beauty of the place. They were, till within these two years, in the proprietor's natural possession; and have been since let mostly for grass and pasture. A purchaser may have immediate access to the possession both of this and the preceding Lot.

LOT IV. The Lands of ADAMHILL, and COAL thereof, lying in the parish of Craigie, and shire of Ayr, holding of a subject superior.

The proven free rent of the Lands, exclusive of the coal therein, is 294 l. 19 s. 2 d. which the Lords have valued at twenty-two years purchase, or L. 6489 1 8

And the proven free rent of the coal in said lands is 40 l. which the Lords have valued at ten years purchase, or

400 0 0

Together, L. 6889 1 8

LOT V. The Lands now called SUMMERFIELD, and two Inclosures part of the lands of Belleisle, lying in the parish and shire of Ayr, holding of a subject.

The proven free rent is 33 l. 13 s. 10 d. 6-12ths, which the Lords have valued at twenty-two years purchase, or

L. 741 5

The lands are agreeably situated near the town of Ayr, there is a neat commodious mansion-house upon them.

LOT VI. The Lands now called BELLEISLE, lying in the parish and shire of Ayr, partly property and partly superiority, holding of a subject superior.

The proven free rent and feu-duty, is 47 l. 14 s. 5 d. which the Lords have valued at twenty-two years purchase, or

L. 1049 17 2

LOT VII. The Superiority and Feu-duty of the Lands of OVER and MIDDLE WELLWOODS, lying in the parish of Muirkirk, and shire of Ayr.

The proven free feu-duty is 119 l. 11 s. 9 d. 5-12ths Sterling, which the Lords have valued at twenty-two years purchase, the uplet price is,

L. 2630 19 3 2-12ths

This superiority holds of the Crown, and is rated in the valuation-books at 1564 l. 10 s. 8 d. Scots.

LOT VIII. The Superiority of the Lands of Kaimes, called KAIMSHILL and NETHER KAIMS, lying in the parish of Muirkirk, and shire of Ayr, holding of the Crown.

The proven free feu-duty is 10 s. 6 d. 2-12ths, which being valued at twenty-four years purchase, the uplet price is,

L. 12 12 4

And the Superiority of the lands of Middle Hill or Heilar and Corfeboig, lying in the parish of Sorn, and shire of Ayr, holding of the Crown.

The proven free feu-duty is 1 s. 3 d. 2-12ths which the Lords have valued at twenty-two years purchase, or

L. 14 0 1 8-12ths

These lands stand rated in the valuation books of the county of Ayr as follows, viz. Kaimshill at 66 l. 13 s. 4 d. Scots, Nether Kaimes at 66 l. 13 s. 4 d. Scots, Heilar 58 l. 5 d. Scots, and Corfeboig 19 l. 13 s. 6 d. Scots.

If more agreeable to offerers, Lots 7th and 8th will be exposed together in one lot.

LOT IX. A STOREHOUSE and YARD in the town of Ayr, late the property of Dr Campbell.

The proven free rent is 4 l. 19 s. 6 d. which the Lords have valued at ten years purchase, or

L. 49 15 0

LOT X. Dr Campbell's right of liferent to the Superiority of the Lands of MUIRHOUSE MALLING, lying in the parish of Muirkirk, and shire of Ayr.

The proven free feu-duty is 16 s. 5 d. 4-12ths; and the Lords have valued Dr Campbell's liferent right at six years purchase, or

L. 4 18 8

LOT XI. The Lands of NOTRH-HILL of Anchuthill, lying in the parish of Sorn, and shire of Ayr, holding of a subject superior, to which Dr Campbell has right *jure mariti*.

The proven free rent is 39 l. 6 s. 3 d. 4-12ths; and the Lords have valued the Doctor's *jus mariti* at six years purchase, or

L. 235 17 8

LOT XII. A LODGING or DWELLING-HOUSE in the town of Ayr, lately belonging to and presently possessed by David McCure.

The proven free rent is 15 l. which the Lords have valued at fifteen years purchase, or

L. 225 0 0

LOT XIII. THE SURPLUS RENT arising from a TACK of the Farm of BROWNHILL, lying in the parish of Tarbolton, and shire of Ayr, set by Colonel Hunter of Brownhill to David McCure, and sublet by David McCure to Hugh McCure.

The proven surplus rent payable to David McCure is 100 l.; and which for the nine years of the tack to run after Martinmas 1786, the Lords have valued at five years purchase, or

L. 500 0 0

LOT XIV. A LODGING or DWELLING-HOUSE in the town of Ayr, late the property of George McCree, and presently possessed by Hugh Stevenson, Esq.

The proven free rent is 13 l. 15 s. which being valued at fifteen years purchase, the uplet price is

L. 236 5 0

LOT XV. THE SURPLUS RENT or benefit of a sub-tack of part of the Lands of THORNYFELATT, lying in the parish of St Evox, and shire of Ayr.

The proven free surplus rent payable to George McCree is 20 l. which for the eighteen years of the tack to run after Martinmas 1786, the Lords have valued at eight years purchase, so the uplet price is

L. 160 0 0

The articles of sale and title-deeds, will be seen at the office of Mr Alexander Ross, depute-clerk of Session; and further information may be got, by applying to James Thomson, writer to the signet, Hanover Street, in whose hands are plans and measurements of part of the subjects under sale.

LANDS TO BE SOLD.

THE Lands of CARFIN, consisting of about 500 acres of arable ground, pleasantly situated upon the river Calder, within two miles of the market-town of Hamilton, fourteen miles from Glasgow, and thirty-three from Edinburgh, and having good roads to all these places. There is a commodious dwelling-house and a considerable quantity of planting upon the premises. The purchaser may enter to the possession of 121 acres out of lease; and the free rental of the whole lands, if set, exclusive of the dwelling-house and garden, will be upwards of 300 l. Sterling.

As also, the Two Merk Land of OVERMUIR, and the Four Merk and Forty Penny Land of GLENS, lying in the parish of Loudoun and shire of Ayr. These lands measure upwards of 700 acres, and the present rent thereof is only 115 l. 10 s. besides which the tenants pay great part of the public burdens.—And likewise the Superiority of the Lands of Ladytown and others, which affords a freehold qualification in the county of Ayr.

The time of sale will be mentioned in a future advertisement; and any person who wishes to be informed of particulars, in the mean time, may apply to Joseph Cauvin, writer to the signet, Edinburgh.

Judicial Sale of Lands in Argyleshire.

To be SOLD by public roup, under the authority of the Court of Session, within the Parliament House, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 12th day of July 1786, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon.

All and Whole the six-merk land of old extent of ACHAGOYLE, which belonged to the now deceased Lachlan Lamont of Achagoyle, lying in the parish of Kilfinnan and shire of Argyle; the proven gross rent whereof, as payable by the tenants, is

L. 53 14 0

As there is no right produced to the teinds, a full fifth is, on that account, deducted from the gross rent. *Iude* L. 10 14 9 6-12ths

The feu duty is also deducted, being

0 6 8

The proven free rent is

L. 42 12 6 6-12ths

Which being valued in the sale at 24 years purchase, the uplet price is

L. 1024 7 8

To which add five years purchase of the forsaid one fifth of the gross rent struck off for teind, the privilege of purchasing the teinds, being

53 13 11 6-12ths

So that the total proven value of stock and teind amounts to

L. 1078 1 7 6-12ths

It may be observed, that the tenants pay the minister's stipend and schoolmaster's salary, over and above their stipulated rents; and the lands are held feu of a subject superior, for payment of the forsaid feu-duty of 6 s. 8 d. Sterling. The lands are all out of lease, the tenants possessing from year to year at a very low rent; so that the purchaser may take the lands into his own natural possession, or have a considerable augmentation on proper leases.

The articles of roup to be seen in the hands of Alexander Stevenson, depute-clerk of Session; and the rental and proven value, with the title-deeds, are with William Macdonald, writer to the signet, to whom application may be made as to further particulars; and John Macalister, the factor, will show the lands.

To be SOLD, by public roup, within the New Inn of Inverness, upon Friday the 9th day of June next, at twelve o'clock at noon,

The Following Heritable SUBJECTS which belonged to Simon Fraser, junior, late merchant in Inverness, viz.

The Two Closets of Burrow-rigged Houses, situated on the fourth side of the east street of Inverness; together with the Brew house, Office-houses, and Gardens thereto belonging.—Also, That House situated at the fourth end of the garden, on the brae leading to the Society School.—And, in like manner, a Cellar below the steeple of the Bridge Street of Inverness.

All these subjects are to be sold together or separately, as purchasers may incline. And, on account of their situation and convenience, they are very eligible for the accommodation of private families and people in trade.

The articles and conditions of sale are to be seen in the hands of James Macdonell merchant in Inverness, trustee for the creditors of the said Simon Fraser.

LANDS IN INVERNESS SHIRE, Superiority in Lanarkshire, &c.

To be SOLD by public roup, within John's Coffeehouse in Edinburgh, on Thursday the 29th day of June 1786, at six o'clock afternoon, the Lands and others after mentioned, in the several lots and divisions following; or in such other lots as may appear more eligible to purchasers:

LOT I. THE SUPERIORITY of the six-merk lands of old extent of Arbuckle, lying within the barony of Monkland, and Sheriffdom of Lanark, with the feu-duties payable by six different vassals, being 3 l. 14 l. 4 d. 8-12ths Sterling, of money, with 5 bolls of corn payable in kind, besides the casualties of Superiority which are considerable, as the properties are valuable and some of the vassals in non-entry. These lands hold of the Crown, affording an unexceptionable qualification in the county; and the purchaser may have the benefit of a Crown charter, with an unexecuted precept of sale.

LOT II. The Lands and Barony of LENTRAN, comprehending the Lands of Rindale, Holm, and Craigaig, lying within the parish of Kirkhill, and county of Inverness, situated about half way between Inverness and Beaulie, the public road between these places passing through a part of the lands, which stretch in a line from the contiguous frith or arm of the sea, to the tops of the hills at the fourth, where they have felw with an extent of hill property and community; together with the Mill of Kingilly, and piece of Ground lying contiguous thereto, being a part of the lands of Belligrinhill, with the miltures, facken, fequels, and knavechip of the said mill, due and payable out of the lands of Newton, Kingilly, and Belligrinhill, with the millen-hill, mill-lead, and other conveniences of the said mill.

The present gross rent of the said lands and barony of Lentrane is 177 bolls bear, and 31 l. 17 s. 5 d. 3-12ths Sterl. of money rent. The mill having for some time been discontinued, the proprietors and tenants of the lands thirled have since gone to other mills, paying dry miltures only; so that the value of the thirle cannot be distinctly ascertained till the mill is rebuilt.

LOT III. The Towns and Lands of SHIAN, lying in the parish of Kilmanivag, and county of Inverness, on the great military road from Fort Augustus to Fort William; together with the lands of Welter Aberchallader, lying in the united parishes of Bolekine and Abertarf, and county of Aberdeen, with the salmon fishings in Loch Oich thereto belonging. The lands of Shian are holden feu of a subject superior for payment of 20 merks Scots yearly of feu-duty. They are at present set at 36 l. Sterling yearly rent; but, on a 19 years lease, a considerable rise is offered. There is lime on the ground, and appearances of lead ore. The lands of Welter Aberchallader are to be holden of the purchaser of the next lot, for payment of 5 s. of feu-duty. The present gross rent is but 38 l. Sterling on a lease of six years endurance from Whitfunday 1784; but which may be terminated in the option of a purchaser at Whitfunday 1787.

LOT IV. The Lands of EASTER and MIDDLE ABERCHALLADERS, including KYLACHY, with their proper grailings in Glenbuch, as well as those which formerly belonged to the lands of Kyrie; together with the Superiority of the Lands of Welter Aberchallader; And also, the Lands of Leek and Inverrig, with the salmon fishings on the water of Oich effeiring to these respective lands.—The present gross rent of which is 103 l. 5 s. Sterling money upon leases, which may be terminated by a purchaser at Whitfunday 1787, as to the lands of Aberchalladers, and at Whitfunday 1792, as to the lands of Leek and Inverrig.—The said respective lands are to be holden of a subject superior, for payment of 20 merks Scots money of feu-duty. There is on the lands of Easter Aberchallader an inexhaustible lime quarry, of excellent quality and easily wrought.

LOT V. The Lands of KYTRIE, the Davoch Lands of COULACHY, with their sheallings in Glentarf, Brunletter, and Corryfuechan, and privilege of the shealling of Dirachuan; and also, the old Glebe of Abertarf, lands of Clachan, and Achvraid. The lands in this lot are also to be holden of a subject superior for payment of 20 merks Scots money of feu-duty. The present rent or tack-duty at which they are let, is 120 l. Sterling money, by a lease expiring at Whitfunday 1790, but which, in the option of a purchaser, may be terminated at Whitfunday 1787.

LOT VI. The Lands of Meikle and Little ACHINDARROCHS, the lands of ACHTERAMORE, ACHTERABEG, the lands of BALMIAN and CARGODDY, with the mofs thereof; together with the Grailing of Carnoch in Glentarf, and Salmon Fishings upon the water of Oich adjoining to the said lands, as presently possessed by Lieut. Ewen McPherson, by a lease current for 19 years from Whitfunday 1785, but which may be terminated in the option of a purchaser at Whitfunday 1792, whereby the present tack-duty effeiring to the said lands, is 130 l. Sterling. This lot also to be holden of a subject superior, for payment of 20 merks Scots money of feu-duty yearly. There is on the lands of Achtera a full grown oak wood of considerable value, fit for cutting.

LOT VII. The Lands of INCHACARDOCH, comprehending the towns and lands of Balnua, Balnasedoch, and Bellaich, with the salmon fishings on the water of Oich and western end of Lochness, effeiring to the said lands, as presently possessed by the said Lieutenant Ewen McPherson, Roderick McDonald, and others, his sub tenants, at the yearly rent of 57 l. Sterling. This lot to be holden of a subject superior, for payment of 260 merks Scots money of feu-duty.

The lands in lots 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th, and part of lot 3d, are at present thirled to the mill of Abertarf, but each purchaser is to have right to his own miltures, with power to build mills if they think proper, which will be an immediate addition to the rental and value of each lot; and there is no doubt that there will be a farther increase of rent on the termination of the current leases, as the lands are of great extent, and safe wintering grounds, being of excellent quality, both for crop and fore farms, well accommodated in every respect, with easy access to the four county markets, by the public military road running through them.

LOT VIII. The Old Glebe of BOLESKINE, presently possessed without lease, at the yearly rent of 2 l. Sterl.

LOT IX. THE PREMIUM OF INSURANCE in the Edinburgh Friendly Insurance Office, which effeired to the house and pertinents fronting the High Street of Edinburgh, between Niddry and Merlin's Wynd, being the second storey above the shops, and valued at 2000 l. Scots.

The barony of Lentrane will be shown by Mr William Fraser, factor on the estate of Lovat, residing at Inverness.—The lands of Abertarf and Shian by Thomas Fraser at Dal-cattick, near Fort Augustus, and by the ground officers and tenants; and the progress of writs and conditions of sale, are in the hands of James Fraser, writer to the signet, to whom intended purchasers may apply for further particulars.

Sale of Shops and House in Edinburgh, Distillery at Ford, &c.

To be SOLD, by public roup, within the Old Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Thursday the 18th day of June next, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon,

The following Subjects formerly the property of Alexander Reid, distiller at Ford, and now belonging to his creditors, viz. Lot I. That Large and Commodious HOUSE and SHOP lying on the fourth side of the Lawn market, immediately above the head of Forrester's Wynd, presently possessed by James Mitchell tea and spirit dealer, rent 30 l. And that Large House or Shop immediately below the former, presently possessed by James Thomson baker, rent 9 l.

The uplet price of this Lot 500 l.

LOT II. That DWELLING-HOUSE, lying within the head of Forrester's Wynd, Edinburgh, entering within a small plain-stone court upon the west side of said wynd, consisting of four rooms, kitchen, cellar, and other conveniences, presently possessed by George Monro vintner. Rent 20 l. This Lot to be set up at 200 l.

LOT III. A TACK of the MILL of FORD, with a piece of Ground adjacent thereto, extending to two acres and a half or thereby, lying upon the fourth side of the Water of Tyne, at Ford, ten miles south from Edinburgh, upon the Blackhills road; upon which there is built a large malt-barn, two malt-kilns, and a byre for feeding cattle. Of this tack there is sixty-two years yet to run, with a power to the tenant to demand a renewal of the tack for the space of 19 years after the expiry of the present tack, for payment of the same rent, viz. 13 l. 7 s. 11 d.—As also, a Sub-tack, of which there is to run two years after Whitfunday 1786, of six acres, three rods, or thereby, lying on the north side of the said water of Tyne at Ford, adjoining to the subjects before mentioned, formerly used as a bleachfield, and upon which there is now a commodious Dwelling-house, a complete distillery, stable, byre for feeding 150 cattle, smith-shop and other conveniences.—The rent payable to the principal tackman is only 17 l.

N. B. The lease of the principal tackman is of the same endurance, with the lease of the forsaid subjects on the fourth side of the water, and to which the purchaser may probably have an opportunity of acquiring right at a very moderate price.

LOT IV. A complete set of Distilling Utensils at Ford, consisting of two copper boilers, eight copper stills, of different sizes, seven worms, eleven tuns with underbacks, coolers, spouts, and a number of casks, and other articles in the still-houses, and brew-houses.

LOT V. Sub-tack of the following subjects, viz. Mill of Cranston with the mill lands, malt barn, and malt kiln, three cot houses, and a dwelling house at the foot of Cranston path, lying in the parish of Cranston, and shire of Edinburgh, of which there is six years to run after Martinmas next.

Eight Acres of Land, lying at the head of Cranston town, consisting of two copper boilers, eight copper stills, of different sizes, seven worms, eleven tuns with underbacks, coolers, spouts, and a number of casks, and other articles in the still-houses, and brew-houses.

Two Houses and Gardens, and Two Acres of Land at Cranston, which expires at Martinmas 1792 as the two acres of land, at Candlemas 1793 as to the gardens, and at Whitfunday thereafter as to the houses.

The Lands of NORTH MAINS of Cranston, with liberty to win and carry off lime-stones in the lands of Blackfide, for the use of the said lands and houses thereon, which expires at Martinmas 1802.

And also, Seven Cot Houses in the town of Cranston. The lands in this lot have been very richly manured for these two years past, and are in high order.

Adam Bruce writer in Edinburgh, will inform as to further particulars, and will show the progress of the house and shops, the tacks and conditions of sale.

Lands in Berwickshire.

To be SOLD, by public roup, within John's Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Wednesday the 12th day of July 1786, betwixt the hours of five and six afternoon,

The Lands and Estate of WHITCOMHILL, and teinds thereof, together with the advocation, donation, and right of patronage of the Church of Whitcom, all lying within the united parishes of Whitcom and Hilton, and of Ladykirk, and county of Berwick. The gross rental of which is 1036 l. 10 s. 6 d. 3-12ths Sterling; and the public burdens, including minister's stipend, schoolmaster's salary, and feu-duty, amount to about 26 l.

The valued rent is 2475 l. 2 s. 1 d. Scots; and the whole estate holds of the Crown, excepting a small piece of land which holds of Mr Home of Wedderburn. The valued rent is already subdivided.

The estate, which lies all contiguous, contains about 1300 acres, exclusive of ditches, dykes, and roads, and is completely inclosed and subdivided, with thriving thorn hedges. The whole farm-houses are in very complete repair, having been built within these few years.

The lands are situated within a few miles of lime and coal, and of the market towns of Berwick, Eyemouth, Dunfermline, and Coldstream. The soil is in general uncommonly fine; and the tenants, who are in a thriving situation, are strictly confined to a particular mode of cropping the land, and are bound to leave their farms in good order at the end of their leases; when, upon a renewal, it is expected there will be a considerable rise upon the present rent, above 200 acres of the best land being presently in grass; and there is no liberty of plowing during the leases; and most of these leases have only about nine years to run. The situation of the whole is remarkably pleasant, and part of it is beautifully situated along the river Tweed, on which river there is a right to a very valuable salmon-fishing.

The title-deeds, which are perfectly clear, the articles of roup, and the current leases, with printed abstracts thereof, and of the rental and public burdens, are to be seen in the hands of Mr Robert Trotter writer to the signet; and Mr John Hogarth at Broomeykes, near Whitcom, will inform of any further particulars with regard to the lands, and with whom printed abstracts of the leases and rental are also lodged.

BY ADJOURNMENT.

SALE of the ESTATE of REDCASTLE.

To be SOLD by public roup, within the New Exchange Coffeehouse in Edinburgh, upon Monday, the 26th of June next, at six o'clock afternoon,

The Lands and Barony of REDCASTLE, lying in the parishes of Kilmarnock and Kilmuir Welter, and county of Roxburgh